at your office or through other means by which the customer may view the notice, such as on a web site.

(f) *Delivery*. When you are required to deliver an initial privacy notice by this section, you must deliver it according to §216.9. If you use a short-form initial notice for non-customers according to §216.6(d), you may deliver your privacy notice according to §216.6(d)(3).

## §216.5 Annual privacy notice to customers required.

- (a)(1) General rule. You must provide a clear and conspicuous notice to customers that accurately reflects your privacy policies and practices not less than annually during the continuation of the customer relationship. Annually means at least once in any period of 12 consecutive months during which that relationship exists. You may define the 12-consecutive-month period, but you must apply it to the customer on a consistent basis.
- (2) Example. You provide a notice annually if you define the 12-consecutive-month period as a calendar year and provide the annual notice to the customer once in each calendar year following the calendar year in which you provided the initial notice. For example, if a customer opens an account on any day of year 1, you must provide an annual notice to that customer by December 31 of year 2.
- (b)(1) Termination of customer relationship. You are not required to provide an annual notice to a former customer.
- (2) Examples. Your customer becomes a former customer when:
- (i) In the case of a deposit account, the account is inactive under your policies;
- (ii) In the case of a closed-end loan, the customer pays the loan in full, you charge off the loan, or you sell the loan without retaining servicing rights;
- (iii) In the case of a credit card relationship or other open-end credit relationship, you no longer provide any statements or notices to the customer concerning that relationship or you sell the credit card receivables without retaining servicing rights; or
- (iv) You have not communicated with the customer about the relationship for a period of 12 consecutive months,

- other than to provide annual privacy notices or promotional material.
- (c) Special rule for loans. If you do not have a customer relationship with a consumer under the special rule for loans in §216.4(c)(2), then you need not provide an annual notice to that consumer under this section.
- (d) *Delivery*. When you are required to deliver an annual privacy notice by this section, you must deliver it according to §216.9.

## § 216.6 Information to be included in privacy notices.

- (a) General rule. The initial, annual, and revised privacy notices that you provide under §§216.4, 216.5, and 216.8 must include each of the following items of information, in addition to any other information you wish to provide, that applies to you and to the consumers to whom you send your privacy notice:
- (1) The categories of nonpublic personal information that you collect;
- (2) The categories of nonpublic personal information that you disclose;
- (3) The categories of affiliates and nonaffiliated third parties to whom you disclose nonpublic personal information, other than those parties to whom you disclose information under §§ 216.14 and 216.15;
- (4) The categories of nonpublic personal information about your former customers that you disclose and the categories of affiliates and non-affiliated third parties to whom you disclose nonpublic personal information about your former customers, other than those parties to whom you disclose information under §§ 216.14 and 216.15:
- (5) If you disclose nonpublic personal information to a nonaffiliated third party under §216.13 (and no other exception in §216.14 or 216.15 applies to that disclosure), a separate statement of the categories of information you disclose and the categories of third parties with whom you have contracted;
- (6) An explanation of the consumer's right under §216.10(a) to opt out of the disclosure of nonpublic personal information to nonaffiliated third parties, including the method(s) by which the consumer may exercise that right at that time: